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WILL LOOK AT THE BOOKS.

Affairs of All State Institutions are to be Overhauled.
The Springfield Journal says it is more than probable that the present legislature through special committees will do a vast amount of investigating before it adjourns. From the general talk now being indulged in by the members every charitable and penal institution in the state will be subjected to a searching inquiry.
There was a small meeting of senators from northern Illinois Tuesday evening for the purpose of discussing the advisability of having a committee appointed to look over the books of the Joliet prison.
"We agreed that it should be done," said one of the senators afterwards, "but have not yet fully determined as to how we shall proceed. The penitentiary at Joliet has used up over \$800,000 in cash during the last four years, all of which was appropriated from the state treasury. Besides this, it has used up thousands of dollars made by the 400 convicts working under the old contract system. I think if the truth were known it will be shown that the Joliet prison has cost the state over \$1,000,000 during the last four years."
Then there is talk of a deficit of near \$100,000 at the Chicago penitentiary and charges of gross mismanagement. Certain it is, however, that arrangements are on foot tending towards a complete investigation as to the management of every public institution in the state.
"I think the Republicans would be foolish," remarked a senator in conversation with some fellow senators regarding an investigation, "to take a lot of bankrupt institutions out of the hands of the Democrats without first checking up the accounts. I think the legislature should take this matter in hand and show the people the financial condition of every prison, reformatory and asylum in the state."
GIVEN TO THE JURY.
Arguments Concluded in the June Lancaster Case.
The arguments in the county court in the case of the people vs. June Lancaster were concluded this afternoon shortly after three o'clock, when the court's instructions to the jury were read and the twelve men retired to make up their verdict. I. R. Mills for the prosecution and David Hutchinson for the defense, spoke before the noon hours, and this afternoon C. C. Lefforge for the defendant, and I. A. Buckingham for the prosecution, wound up the talk. The addresses were vastly more interesting and entertaining to the crowd of spectators than 16 to 1 talks, and every speaker had a crowd. The admission was free.
It is predicted that Lancaster will be acquitted on the charge of bastardy, the accusation brought by Addie Cooper's mulatto.
Mrs. J. H. Gore will enter some of her famous good bread for the Farmers' institute exhibit.
MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.
CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 5, 1897.
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to S. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and seeds, with corresponding offices in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations:

	Open-	High-	Low-	Close-
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Ladies' Good Muslin Gown, Double Yoke, All Sizes..... **At 39 cts**

Ladies' Fine Muslin Gown, 4 rows of Hamburg Inserting and Tucks in Yoke and Hamburg Ruffle around Neck and Sleeve..... **At 50 cts**

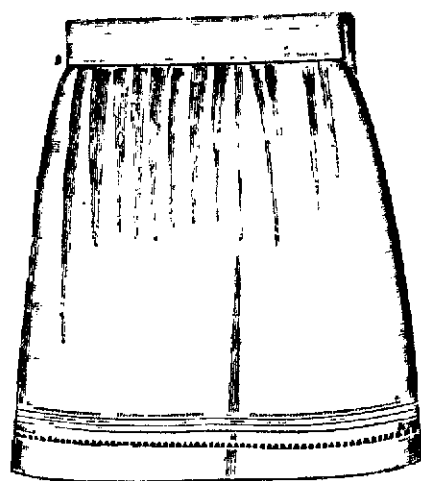
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Ladies' Fine Muslin Drawers with Hamburg Ruffle and Cluster of Tucks..... **At 29 cts**

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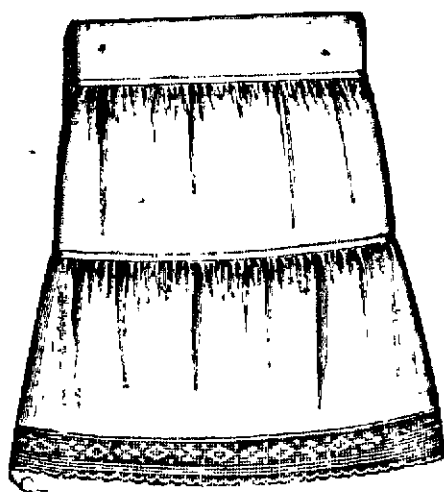


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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.

A Taxpayer Calmly Discusses the Public Library Matter.

Eda. Republican: In the discussion going on in regard to the moving of the library to the new Powers building many of our people seem to have lost sight of the most important fact in the whole matter and that is that after the proposition of Mr. Powers had been submitted and Roberts & Greene notified and asked to submit their best terms and given ample time to do so and the library board proceeded to vote and accept the Powers offer and so notified Mr. Powers, they cannot honorably go back or rescind their action and no member of the board can honorably vote to do so. No matter whether there is or is not some legal technicality by which a loop hole might be found to crawl out, among all honorable business men, that class whose word is considered as good as their bond the action already taken cannot be otherwise considered than as final so far as the present board is concerned; and all this talk and petition for them to go back upon their pledged word cannot fail to have a very deleterious effect upon the business morality and integrity of our young people and especially those in our high school that are being asked to sign a petition. It will require many lessons and precepts to counteract the practical lesson of dishonorable business methods that is being given. Go into the chamber of commerce or board of trade in any of our large cities and advocate such action as is being advocated in this case and see how quickly those members acting upon such principles would be expelled. It is astonishing and amazing that people who intend to be and are essentially conscientious and honest in all their personal matters and dealings can so far forget themselves as many are doing in this matter. The board can consistently do but one of two things, either adhere to the action taken or resign and it is not believed that any considerable number of our people would assent to the resignation of our present able and efficient board. What may be our personal individual preferences should have but slight weight when compared with the public good and especially public honor and honesty.

Tax Payer.

The Arbitration Treaty.

Eda. Republican: Without having the exact boundary of the proposed arbitration treaty with England it is a little difficult for the ordinary citizen to discern its intelligence. But with a fair knowledge of the history of England for the last 100 years, and more especially the last 50 years, and more especially the last 25 years, taking into full consideration

the condition and situation of the two countries it is very plain to even the ordinary student of history, that by such an arrangement England has nothing to lose but everything to gain, while we run the risk of losing much and gaining nothing. Understanding and appreciating all the horrors of war many of our people seem to think that any arrangement we may enter into which would seem to promise to avert all danger of such calamity will be to our advantage. To all such I would say study well the past diplomatic and warlike history of England and point me to a solitary instance in which if there was the least prospect of stealing a slice of territory, she has not found some excuse for violating their most solemn treaty obligations, until now the anomalous and unjust position exists of a little spot of country covering less than 80,000 square miles with a population of perhaps of 30,000,000 dominating and controlling at least one-fourth of the land surface of the globe, inhabited by nearly 250,000,000 people. We can only judge of what they will do in the future by what they have done in the past. The relative situation and condition of the two countries is such, that a treaty of this kind will in many respects be a tying of our hands and a surrendering of many advantages we now hold. We are the greatest republic on earth and the manifest destiny of our country is that eventually all of the North American continent will be covered by one government. There is today a strong sentiment and party in the British territory north of the United States and this sentiment and party grows year by year both in strength and numbers. England is well aware of this sentiment and its yearly growth and foresees what will be the ultimate result, and it is this knowledge that inspires her desire for an arbitration treaty, by which under the most favorable situations we would be compelled to submit our cases to a biased and prejudiced jury or to arbitrators strongly and desperately opposed to our form of government. It is well known to all students of history that the English government has a great reputation for always being after the main chance, that is more territory without any loss of money. So far as any danger of war with England is concerned it is and will be very slight so long as she is our creditor holding a large amount of our securities which might be confiscated in case of war and so long as we are in position to inflict serious injury to their commerce. After we have annexed all the territory in North America down to the seventh degree north latitude, taking the

Nicaragua canal, Panama railroad and all the West India Islands under the strongest and most glorious government the world has ever known, will be ample time to talk of and consider arbitration treaties. Until then let us not tie our hands nor put on fetters that will retard our progress.

NICE FOR THE DOGS.

How New York's Smart Girls Now Carry Their Canine Pets.

The swell girl who is thoroughly up to date no longer carries her pet dog as if it were a tender infant. It is not at all uncommon to see a fashionably dressed woman walking along carrying the curly object of her adornment wrapped up in a contrivance that resembles a shawl strap. It is a sort of harness with a strap fastened over the dog's hips and another over his breast, after the fashion of the hame and the breeching that form so important a feature of the harness of a horse.

At first thought it might seem as if the canine swell would object to being



HOW TO CARRY YOUR DOG.

suspended in midair in this way. Quite the contrary, however. Experience shows that it is much more comfortable than being squeezed and smothered in the arms of his mistress or her maid, no matter how carefully they try to move him about.

Moreover, since the harness is no impediment to the dog moving about on his feet, a chain can be attached to the handle and the little animal led along as easily as if he had no harness on at all.

All sorts of dogs that are small enough for pets are carried in this fashion. The new style is very popular among all the young women who own dogs, but the style is not limited to the younger members of the smart set. The matron and the dowager also follow it with scrupulous care.

For the winter season the carrying harness and the blanket are combined. As a rule, the blanket is of corduroy, and keeps the shivering pet as warm as his mistress in her fur. In color, the blanket is generally red, and it is a comical sight to see this red blanket and bearded creature trailing along at the side of his mistress as she walks down the street, or hanging limply from the blanket harness as it depends from the lady's hand.

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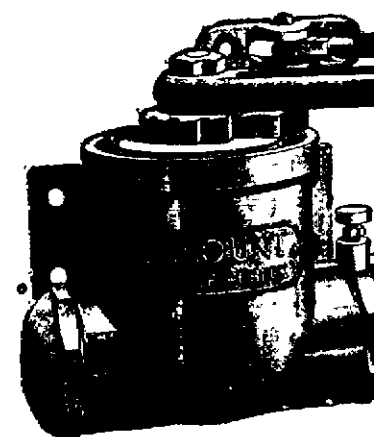
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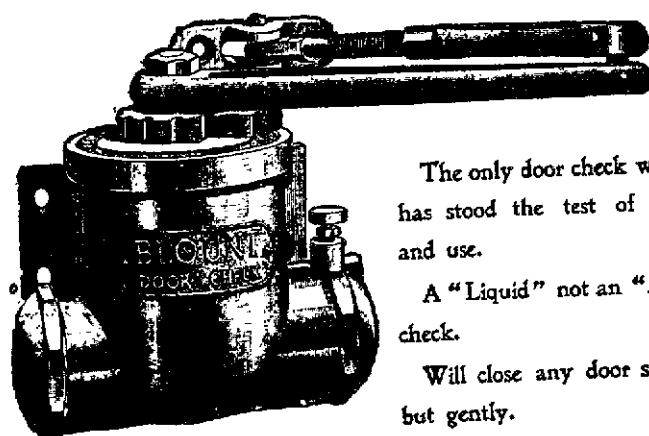
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LOCAL NEWS.

Irwin's fragrant toilet cream keeps the
skin soft and smooth.The old reliable K & W cigars are made
by John Weigand. Moh 35-dtf.The Grand Opera House cigars made
by Johnny Weigand are the best in town.
Moh 35-dtf.Irwin's satisfaction tooth powder whitens
and preserves the teeth.Tender roast beef with brown gravy
served at noon daily at Singleton's restau-
rant. —Oct 21dtLittle Diana cigar; business men's
ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50.
L. Chodat's News House. —14 dtfIrwin's Rock Balsam gives immediate
relief for coughs and colds."Monte Cristo" at the Grand Saturday
night, with James H. O'Neill as the popu-
lar star.Charles Drake is making an effort to be
appointed one of the guards at the Ches-
ter penitentiary.The Elks of Danville will give a min-
utest show February 8. In the first part
250 incandescent lamps will be used.Bear in mind the fact, yo Princess of
the Orient, that the banquet and ball will
occur on the night of February 24.At Lincoln yesterday W. H. Trainer
was appointed receiver of the electric
street railway company. The bond is
\$10,000.The members of the Fellowship club,
numbering thirty couples, gave their regu-
lar dancing party at Guards' Armory
last night. It was a very enjoyable
affair.The members of the Progressive club
were entertained yesterday afternoon by
Miss Evelyn Barton at her home on West
North street.People know a good thing; it is worth
your while to go to the new photograph
gallery in the Millikin building where
they make photographs at 20c a dozen and
see the crowd. —24dtNo better soft coal in this market than
Lincoln or Riverton. Lincoln is the hard-
est of any coal within 100 miles of Deca-
tur and the harder the coal the longer it
will burn. Hard coal all sizes, always in
stock at market price. Up town office,
Irwin's drug store, office and yard 800
North Broadway, old phone 433, new
phone 435. M. F. Metz. —21 dtfThose who met with the Misses Irish
yesterday afternoon at the gathering of
the Young Ladies' club were Misses Don-
na Buckingham, Madge Hays, Ida Wheel-
er, Grace Hamsher, Lola and Lida
Montgomery, Anna Raby, Myrtle Wheeler,
Nita Ballard, Mae Harwood, Jessie Mon-
gomery, Leone Moore, Edith Ruce, Ma-
rie and Anna Irish, Mrs. Somerville and
Mrs. Stover. The guest of the club was
Miss Shelby of Lexington, Ky.Vegetables are scarce. You can get
Tomatoes, Oyster Plant, Spinach,
Water Cress, Lettuce and fine Cel-
ery at PEARL OYSTER & FISH CO.
Telephone 344. —3 d3The National Association of Local Fire
Insurance agents will hold their meeting
in St. Louis May 11, 1897. It is stated
there are 65,000 local fire insurance agents
in the United States and Canada. Al-
most every town of importance has from
one to one hundred. This is not a dele-
gated meeting, every local fire agent in
this country and Canada having been in-
vited to attend and bring their families,
as there are social as well as business
features connected with the organization.
The Wabash line will in the near future
announce a low rate for this meeting.
This will be open not only to the insur-
ance agents but also the traveling public.
—3d3tGarden Seeds.
Just received a large stock of all kinds
of D. M. Ferry & Co.'s fresh bulk garden
seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co.'s —
Jan 29-d&wtDYEING AND FINE DRY CLEANING.
We will do dyeing and fine dry
cleaning at reduced prices for the
next thirty days. Now is the time to
have your suits of clothes or over-
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first-class, practical dyers and dry
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A SURPRISE FEAST.

The Ladies of Myrtle Temple and the
Knights of Pythias.The regular meeting of Coeur de Lion
lodge, No. 17, K. P., was held at the new
castle hall last night. The attendance
was quite large, including visiting
Knights from Cerro Gordo, Missouri and
other points. Just as the session of the
lodge closed about forty members of Myr-
tle Temple, Rathbone Sisters, marched
into the room and took possession. The
appearance of the ladies was a complete
surprise to nearly all of the Knights.
They had had no intimation of the very
agreeable invasion, and when Mrs. J. W.
Weigand on behalf of the sisters announced
that supper was ready in the banquet
hall, then the object of the visit was un-
derstood without further comment. In
the banquet hall the feast had been spread
upon a long table. It was a splendid sup-
per and was thoroughly enjoyed, the la-
dies serving the excellent coffee with real
cream, and seeing that all of the Knights
had plenty of ham sandwiches, cake,
pickles, pie, etc., etc. J. C. Hostotter
was selected by the ladies to serve as
toastmaster. Responses to toasts were
made in a happy vein by S. D. McKinney,
W. T. Dillebunt, G. A. Ahrens, M. Holt-
brun and others. It was nearly 12 o'clock
before the congenial company separated,
the Knights quietly threatening that some
day they would get even with the ladies
for giving them such a surprise shock.

MUNSON NOT DEAD.

Alive and Kicking and as Fat and Green
as Ever.The Republican of Wednesday published
a rumor that "Fatty" Munson had been
killed in a gambling house in Nashville,
Tenn. C. M. Davis, an employee of Mrs.
Combs' restaurant, informs us that Mrs.
Combs received a letter from Mrs. Mun-
son yesterday in which she stated that
"George was as well as ever," etc., so the
whole story turns out to be a barber shop
rumor.

Matrimonial.

W. I. Bushart and Miss Emma B.
Grubbs were quietly married Thursday
noon at the residence of the bride's moth-
er, Mrs. S. M. Grubbs, 899 West Pugh
street. The ceremony was performed by
Rev. W. C. Miller of the Congregational
church, only the immediate relatives of
the parties being present. The bride is a
charming young lady and has a host of
Decatur friends. The groom is a son of
Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bushart of Harvey
City, and is a prosperous young farmer.
The young couple will make their home
on a farm near Bethany. Those present
were Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bushart, par-
ents of the groom; A. L. and Rose Bush-
art and Miss Lela Bushart of Harvey
City; Miss Frye of Prairie Home, and
Mrs. File and Miss Ella Battles of this
city.

North on a Visit.

Captain George P. Zeiss of Houston,
Texas, arrived in Decatur last night to
visit Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bushart. He left
today for Mt. Pulaski to close up some
business matters. Mr. Zeiss made a quick
trip north. He left Houston Wednesday
afternoon at 4 o'clock, and making close
connections at St. Louis, landed in Deca-
tur at 11 o'clock last night, covering the
distance in thirty-one hours.

Building Prospects Poor.

The lumber dealers say that the pros-
pects for building the coming season are
not good. At present there are no orders
of any consequence in sight. Usually at
this time of year contractors are figuring
on work but this season there is yet no
talk of any new buildings being erected.
The lumber men say that it is most likely
that the amount of building done this
season will be small.

Masonic Temple at Maroa.

The contract for the freeing of the
new Masonic Temple at Maroa was
awarded yesterday to J. B. Ehrhart of
Decatur. All of the work is to be done
in oil. The ceiling is to be finished in
yellow roses and tiger lilies in wreath
work, side walls in groups of pillars, and
a master piece of eight columns at the
end. Mr. Ehrhart will begin the work on
Monday.

Death of a Child.

Della Constance, the 4-months-old
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Humph-
reys, died at the residence of her grand-
parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Roberts
southwest of Harristown. The funeral
was held at 1 o'clock Wednesday after-
noon from the residence. The burial was
at Long Point cemetery.In the Champaign county court a jury
decided that John G. Schafer, of Peto-
sum, was not of sound mind, and recom-
mended that a conservator be appointed
Mr. Schafer is 77 years old, and he is the
owner of 384 acres. There are six heirs.
Judge Staley appointed Supervisor J. E.
Davis, and placed the bond at \$25,000.For order of Judge Vail all of the cases
on the docket in the circuit court, Janu-
ary term, have been printed in pamphlet
form for the convenience of the court and
the attorneys. Copies of the printed bar
docket are now in the hands of the attor-
neys.Dr. H. W. Burt, a noted homeopath,
who died in Chicago last week, formerly
practiced in Lincoln, moving to Chicago
just after the great fire.George Whitaker, son of A. S. Whit-
aker, of Mt. Pulaski, died in Boern,
Texas, last week. He was traveling for
his health.Senators Kanan has returned from
Springfield.

LANCASTER CONVICTED.

The Jury Found June Guitly—Indicted
for Subornation of Perjury.In the county court last evening the
bastardy trial of June Lancaster, with
Addie Cooper as the chief complaining
witness, came to an end, when the jury
found Lancaster guilty as charged in the
warrant. The penalty is the payment of
\$550. Failing to pay, the defendant must
remain in jail. In many such cases the
defendant marries the girl or makes a
final settlement with the woman at an
amount less than the sum fixed by law.
Last summer at the guardianship pro-
ceedings Miss Cooper who is a mulatto
swore that a farmer living near Moline
was the father of the child. At the trial
this week she swore that she testified
falsely at the former hearing, and asserted
that she was induced to do so by June
Lancaster. The grand jury before it a-
djudged this week found an indictment
against Lancaster on a charge of subor-
nation of perjury. That is a crime pun-
ishable by imprisonment in the peniten-
tiary. The trial will be had in the cir-
cuit court.

FRESH VEGETABLES.

There Will be Plenty of Good Things for
Sale at the Stores To-Morrow.There will be quite a variety of fresh
vegetables in the market tomorrow.
Fresh lettuce sells for 6c a head. Oyster
plant will sell for 10c per bunch and wa-
ter cress for 5c. New radishes will be on
sale at 5c per bunch and parsley at 10c.
Fresh spinach is 25c per peck and Califor-
nia celery will sell for 10c per stalk.
There will be some new tomatoes in the
market and they will sell for 5 cents each.
Roasting chickens sell for 12½ cents per
pound and broilers from 80 to 35 cents
each according to the size. Turkeys and
ducks are 15 cents per pound and geese
12½ cents. Eggs are 15 cents per dozen.

Ten Days Each.

Thomas Kelly, John Barrett and Charles
Nicholls, the three tramps who were
found near the Union elevator last week
drunk and nearly frozen, were before Jus-
tice Hardy yesterday charged with va-
grancy. They were before the justice last
week but pleaded not guilty and were
given a continuance until yesterday.
The men acted as their own attorneys and
set out a plea that they were not vagrants
but "gentlemen of labor seeking invest-
ments." They were given ten days each
as common vagrants.Bill Houston was fined \$3 and costs for
drunkenness.

Funeral of Mrs. Warfield.

The remains of the late Mrs. C. T. War-
field were brought to this city this morn-
ing at 11 o'clock for burial. The funeral
was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from
the residence of Spencer Huff on North
Jackson street, and the burial was at
Greenwood cemetery. The services were
conducted by Rev. W. H. Penhallegon of
the First Presbyterian church.

Jurymen Discharged.

In the county court at noon today
Judge Hammer caused something of a
tremor and sensation among the panel
jurymen, when he announced that he had
no further use for their services and that
they were discharged. There are no trial
cases in sight and to save the county ex-
pense it was concluded to let the jurymen
take a rest.The beneficiary of the will of Mrs.
Amelia Todd, aged 97, who died recently,
is Dr. H. D. Hall. The doctor gave all of
the articles to the Anna B. Millikin
Home. Mrs. Todd thought a great deal
of the doctor, because of his uniform
kindness to her, and what little she had
she gave to him, much to his surprise.

The Judicial Contest.

Vermilion county has two candidates
for circuit judge in the fourth district.
They are Judge Bookwalter and Judge
Thompson. Primaries will be held Satur-
day to determine which gentleman shall
have the delegates from Vermilion county.

In Trouble.

H. Loeb of the Lion store on North
Water street, is reported by the papers to
be in serious trouble in Chicago. He
went there to get married and was placed
under arrest on an old charge. The mar-
riage has been delayed, though it may
take place today.

Aprons! Aprons!

The Sunday School Support society and
the Sunday school teachers of St. John's
Episcopal church will have an apron sale
Saturday afternoon from 3 to 6 at the rec-
tory, 503 West Prairie avenue. Every-
body is invited to attend. —3 d3tIf you haven't had fish Friday order for
Saturday. Trout, white fish, boneless
herring, pickorel, black bass, croppies,
blue fish, halibut, fresh cod and mackerel
at Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone
344.

Married.

At his office by Judge Hammer Feb. 4,
James W. Cameron and Miss Elizabeth
Blair. The couple will reside on a farm
in Long Creek township.Elder Stevenson, the newly called pas-
tor for the Edward street Christian
church, arrived in the city today. He
will enter upon his duties as pastor next
Sunday.Rev. W. F. Black, pastor of the Central
Christian church in Chicago, has ten-
dered his resignation because of the pres-
sure of a faction in the church. He may
be induced to remain.Senator Kanan has returned from
Springfield.

At The Grand.

Among the coming attractions is
James A. Horne's great company in his
famous play, "Shore Acres," which will
be here Saturday, February 13. On Wed-
nesday, February 10, Miss Rosabel Mor-
rison and a superior company in "Car-
men."

O'Neill in Monte Cristo.

To the younger generation of American
play-goers, the face, voice, the action and
the physique of the hero of Dumas' great-
est romance are the face, the voice, the
action and the physique of James O'Neill.
So completely has Mr. O'Neill become
identified with this character in popular
imagination that so long as he lives it is
safe to say no other "Monte Cristo" will
attempt to tread the boards.In the first act, Mr. O'Neill seems to be
perennially young, while his work in the
later portions of the hero has ripened and
mellowed with careful study and long
familiarity. It was the gifted and illus-
trious Nelson—the greatest "Juliet" of
the century—who said many years ago:
"James O'Neill is the best 'Romeo' I have
ever seen on the stage."He is peculiarly suited to what is
known as "lover parts," and possesses
also the dignity and power for graver
work. At the Grand Saturday night.
Richards and Canfield.The New York Evening Mail and Ex-
press says: "Mr. George Richards as the
town drunkard, and Mr. Eugene Canfield
as his son, who reforms for love, kept the
fun and the pathetic interest both alive by
their clever acting in Hoyt's 'A Temper-
ance Town.' The play and company will
be at the Grand on Monday night."

Rosabel Morrison as Carmen.

The edoloscope is the most costly fea-
ture ever introduced in any theatrical per-
formance. It is, however, worth the ex-
pense attached to it, as it has proven one
of the most potent magnets that has ever
been offered for the approval of a wonder-
ing public. The bull fight which it re-
produces in the last act of Rosabel Mor-
rison's production is the most startling
incident ever seen under similar condi-
tions. The sensation on witnessing it is
indescribable. She appears at the Grand
Wednesday evening, Feb. 10.

LIKE THE PARENTS.

Boys Can Have Their Coffee Now.

When a good healthy boy sits down to
his breakfast and sees Pa and Ma have
their coffee to dip toast in and sip, he feels
slighted that he can't have some too. But
parents know that it is really poisonous
to children, and refuse them. Postum
Cereal Food Coffee, made by Postum
Cereal Co., Ltd., is exactly like coffee in
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grains and is nourishing and fattening.
Boys and girls can drink it every meal if
they like. It is simply food of the most
nourishing sort, but so prepared that it
fills the eye of even a careful expert.Dr. E. Schone, 1170 Milwaukee avenue,
Chicago, says: "I am very much pleased
with Postum. It is a delicious drink, and
I think preferable to all similar products,
such as Health Coffee, Malt, etc."A reliable grocer will never offer a
cheap or weak imitation of a genuine or-
iginal article because he happens to make
a little extra profit. But it is well to
observe that when genuine Postum Cereal
Coffee is ordered, that you get Postum,
and not a spurious imitation offered as
"just as good."

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Contain Mercury.

as mercury will surely destroy the sense
of smell and completely derange the
whole system when entering it through
the mucous surfaces. Such articles
should never be used except on prescrip-
tions from reputable physicians, as the
damage they will do is ten fold to the
good you can possibly derive from them.
Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by
F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains
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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, Feb. 5.—Rain or snow this
afternoon and tonight; Saturday, partly
cloudy; fresh to brisk easterly winds.

Illinois seems to have it, also, in a slight
degree. Some member has introduced a
bill in the legislature to prevent gold con-
tracts. He is one of Albigel's followers,
too.

Hon. M. F. Kanan has been made
chairman of the committee on banks and
banking and it follows that no fool bank
bill will ever pass that committee with its
endorsement.

It is quite apparent from the makeup
of the committee in the house so far an-
nounced that Speaker Curtis is not dis-
posed to rely upon the machine alone for
his support.

Robert G. Ingersoll refuses to debate
the question of religion with Sam Jones
because he does not represent any great
church. The colonel might have refused
on general principles and been consistent.

It is reported that Lyman J. Gage
wears a wig. This may be true but the
fact that there will be no bald headed
business in the treasury under his admin-
istration is more important to the people.

Bryan's book arraigns trusts, combina-
tion and monopolies but he was careful to
secure a monopoly on the book by taking
out a copyright and is now suing some
fellow for infringing on the title of the
production.

Twenty-eight days more and the aiders
and abettors of the women-murderers will
be out of office. When that transition
takes place it is to be hoped the United
States will cease to be forced to do po-
lice duty for Spain.

Should Bushnell refuse to appoint M.
A. Hanna to succeed Sherman and Mark
should accept the office of postmaster gen-
eral Foraker would have to get his mail
outside of the state of Ohio if he got it at
all from a friendly Indian.

While Spain assumes to be trying to
pacify the Cubans by offering reforms
Weyler still continues to make war on
women and children. Perhaps that may
be the way to have the reforms accepted
by the Cubans but we doubt it.

The vessel known as the Three Friends
is engaged in carrying arms and ammu-
nition to the Cubans and thus betraying
them. The three friends of Spain
are Cleveland, Olney and Harmon. Both
machines are American productions but
the people's sympathies are with the ves-
sel.

Governor Bushnell, who is supposed to
be governed by Senator Foraker, it is re-
ported will refuse to appoint M. A. Hanna
to the United States senate to succeed
Sherman. There is no excuse for this
course as the vacancy was made by Sher-
man consenting to accept the premiership
and should be consulted as to his succe-
sor. If Bushnell is correctly reported it
means political war in Ohio and perhaps
in some quarters outside of the state.

The Hon. Hank Evans, head of the de-
funct senatorial combine has been made
chairman of the committee on the Lin-
coln monument. As he has just been
through a battle this concession is perhaps
made by the "colts" that he may go out
and study the groups on the monument
representing the four arms of the
service without being ordered off the
grass.

A bill has been introduced in the Mis-
souri legislature which provides a penalty
of five years imprisonment for any
married man found guilty of infidelity to
his marriage vows, no matter what the
circumstances may be. He cannot even
make the plea that Adam did, in exten-
sion of his crime nor plead hypocrisism.

The Globe-Democrat: The open dis-
cussion of the arbitration treaty which
several senators ask for ought to be had.
The country would like to hear the best
which can be said for and against it.
Many senators are known to be hostile to
the treaty, and the people want to know
the ground of their opposition. So far as
these are known the majority of the sena-
tors of the treaty are Democratic silver-
ites. There is a popular impression that
their attitude on this matter is dictated
by hatred of Cleveland and Olney. For
their own justification, therefore, they
should favor a discussion of the treaty in
the open square if the popular estimate of
their motives in fighting it is erroneous.
The people want to know how each sena-
tor stands on the treaty, and why he thus
stands.

A number of citizens of East Tennessee
in 1861, enlisted in the union secret ser-
vice as bridge burners, understanding
that they would be hanged or shot if cap-

tured by the enemy. They only consented
to undertake the work on condition
that the army under Thomas should at
once occupy Tennessee after the bridges
were burned, in order to protect the men
engaged, and this was promised. Bridges
were burned, but Thomas did not come,
having been recalled, and the burners
were deserted. They attempted to escape
into Kentucky, but were unsuccessful
and disbanded. Some were captured and
shot, some escaped to the mountains, and
others joined the union army. In view
of these facts the committee thinks spe-
cial recognition should be given them.
These facts are set forth in a report from
the house committee on invalid pensions
upon a bill introduced by Representative
Anderson, of Tennessee, which provides
that thirteen persons who were engaged in
this service be placed on the pension
list at \$25 a month. This amount is re-
commended by the committee's report to
be reduced to \$15 a month which is to be
taken in lieu of other pensions. There is
no good reason why men who performed
such hazardous service for the union in
those days should not be pensioned.

Secretary Carlisle has a case. He is ac-
cused by the holders of the McKee Scrip.
These are the parties who claim title to a
part of the Chicago lake front valued at
\$10,000,000. The scrip, which was issued
to an old soldier named McKee, gave him
the right to claim a certain number of
acres from any public lands in the United
States. Certain speculators, who secured
possession of the scrip, discovered that a
part of the Chicago lake front which had
been formed by accretion, had never been
patented. The tract, which includes
about ten acres, is now thickly built up.
The claim is now pending before Com-
missioner of the General Land Office Lu-
moreaux. After he gives his decision the
case will be taken into the courts, and the
prospect is that the litigation will cover a
period of years. Mr. Carlisle will be well
paid for his services.

Rainy Day Club.
The Rainy Day club is composed of
women who favor short skirts. It met in
New York a few days since. An exhibi-
tion of artistically made short skirts for
inclement weather was given. Dozens of
different feminine ideas embodied in ma-
terials, ranging from silk to broadcloth,
were displayed, together with boots,
belts and other articles of attire. Five
ladies made speeches. All advocated
short skirts. Miss Lindley, in introduc-
ing the speakers, said that when the
question of artistic, comfortable dress or
women had been settled she would begin
on the men. "Isn't this a perfect day to
show our ideas?" she said to a reporter.
"I pity men, but I like them. They
ought to have their dress reformed. Look
at your collar! Decidedly uncomfortable
and certainly inartistic. But the wo-
man question must be settled first. Then
man shall be considered. I promise you."
At the reception today, which was pre-
ceded by a business meeting, there were
scores of ladies from other cities. Most
of them wore abbreviated dresses and con-
formed to the club's rules, which are that
members' dresses shall be from 4 to 6
inches from the ground. Some went the
rules an inch or two better. "We know
we are right," said a distinguished guest,
"and it's only a matter of time when all
ladies will wear short skirts."

LITERARY NOTES.
Albert C. Vandam, whose volumes
of Panjarian recollections have aroused
much discussion, is about to publish a
second volume, "Undercurrents of the
Second Empire."

Arditi's "Musical Recollections" are
to be published at once. The English
text has been revised by Baroness von
Zedlitz. Arditi has just completed his
50th year as an operatic composer.

Admirers of H. C. Bunner remember
his "Love in Old Clothes," a charming
modern story written in Elizabethan
English, which lends it much of its in-
terest. During the process of its pub-
lication one conscientious proof-reader
carefully corrected every proof con-
taining his way into correct and up-to-date
English.

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HEARD IN WASHINGTON.

Stories That Are Good Enough to
Bear Repetition.

How Senator Wolcott Surprised a Lady
Correspondent—A Dude Victimized
by His Tailor—A Geography
Lesson in Indiana.

[Special Washington Letter.]
Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, does
not deny the story, and it is probably a
true one. When he was a young man he
was, as now, attorney for several large
railway corporations. He was regarded
by the gentler sex as a confirmed bach-
elor, proof against all the advances and
charms of matrimony. A lady in the
southern part of the state desired a
pass to Denver. She wrote a friend,
who was well acquainted with Mr. Wolcott,
asking her to request a pass from him,
and like all women, she wrote a
postscript, which in this instance was as
follows:

"P. S.—I wish you would also send me
one of those P. D. corsets, the kind you
wore when I was last in Denver. I think
they are just too lovely for anything."
Her friend being in very much of a
hurry, and momentarily forgetting all
about the postscript, indorsed a request
on the back and forwarded the letter to
Mr. Wolcott. A reply came promptly
as follows:

"Dear Madam—I enclose a pass, as re-
quested, for your friend Miss ——. I would
send her the P. D. corset, but have for-
gotten her number. Very respectfully,
"H. O. WOLCOTT."

American Girl's Touching Fate.
Congressman Mudd, of Maryland, tells
a true story, and it has a moral, too. It
is concerning a beautiful girl in a small
Maryland city, who was regarded as
the handsomest and most entertaining
young lady in that vicinity. She married
a gentleman who held a commission in
the Austrian army. He was kind, ami-
able, and there was no question as to his
social position. She went with her hus-
band to his far-off home. She knew no
German (he spoke English very well)
and had no knowledge of the world. She
could speak to nobody for awhile, until
she mastered enough of the language
of the country to get along. The few
amusements permitted her were not
those she had been used to, and the ab-
solute social freedom to come and go
without suspicion was all gone. Ten
years ago a former friend was in a gar-
rison town of Austria, and there met
with what had been the sweetly pretty
girl of a few years before. He never saw
such a change. "You are the only
American I have met that I ever knew
before in ten years," she said. "I am
not unhappy, but I think if our girls at
home could only know or understand
how different everything here is from
what they have been used to, they would
never dream of marrying a man who
was not an American. I have gone for
years and never heard my mother
tongue. Leopold (her husband) is in
command here. But there are no ladies
for me to associate with. In the Austrian
service no man is permitted to marry
until he has a certain income. The
young officers, therefore, cannot marry,
for they are generally poor. Those who
are rich go into the guards regiments,
which are at Vienna or other large
cities. So we get the worst and poorest
educated in the line. I have not spoken
to a lady in six months. You cannot
imagine my unutterable loneliness." As
he bade her good by she broke into a
torrent of tears, and said: "I am so
lonely. I am so lonely. Oh, that I
could go home!"

Upon his return to America he saw
her mother, and told her that her
daughter was dying of homesickness.
She was brought home, but the bad liv-
ing and mismanagement of her work only
too well, and she died within three
weeks after she came under her father's
roof. If our girls could only know, or
if they would only think, how much un-
happiness they would save themselves!

The first thing the foreigner thinks of
in marrying is money, and not an Ameri-
can girl in 100 is married for any other
cause than that she has or will have
money. This rule is absolute.

Knowledge Licked Into Him.
Amos Cummings, of New York, not
only tells the story in the cloak room of
the house of representatives, but he
says that he printed it once, and has it
in his scrap book. He says that he got
it from ex-Congressman Holman, the
English.

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Ladies' Satine Underskirts, Umbrella style, always sell for \$2—now.....49c
Ladies' Hand-Knit All Wool Underskirts, well worth 98c—now.....49c
One Great Lot of Fascinators, all colors worth 50c—now.....25c
22 Pieces Fancy Silk Ribbon, 4 inches wide, worth 50c yd—now.....25c
All of our 50c Men's Neck Ties each.....25c
2000 Skeins Beldings Wash Embroidery Silks which always sell at 5c skein—now skein.....1c
25 Fancy Crepe Paper Lamp Shades, worth \$2—now.....75c
10,000 Stick Pins, each.....2c
1 Case New Spring Suitings in Checks, Boucles and Knotted Etamines per yd.....25c
1 Case New Spring Dress Goods. Full Double Widths, per yd.....17c
Girls School Tam-O-Shanters.....16c
Ladies' and Misses' 50c Sailor Hats, each.....25c
One Lot of Light Japanese Silk waists—Soiled from showing, each.....49c

Toilet Soap. Wild Locust and Honey 3 extra Large cakes in a box, always sells for 10c cake, Friday and Saturday, **10c Box.**
SEE OUR 5c AND 10c COUNTERS.

LYNN AND SCRUGGS
DRY GOODS & CARPET CO. THE BIG STORE.

"Can you wait until I am through
with this class in spelling?" asked the
teacher.
"Oh! I s'pose so, but under the cir-
cumstances I hope you'll cut it as short as
possible. Haven't got my corn husked,
ye know."

"Certainly. I never keep a gentleman
waiting when I can help it. Sit down
on the wood pile, Mr. Scott. I'll come
out and pulverize you in just nine min-
utes."
At the end of the appointed time the
teacher reappeared, and at once rushed
into the waiting Mr. Scott and blacked
his eyes, broke his jaw and flattened
his nose. By and by Mr. Scott said he
had all he wanted, and added:
"Which is the longest river in the
world?"
"The Amazon, sir."
"Am-a-son. Please write it down for
me. You've licked it into me in fast-
class style and when I get home and get
my paws onto my son Bill he'll come to
believe that there ain't nuff water in
the Wabash to wash his mother's feet
with! Am-a-son! Good-by, critter!"

The Victim of His Tailor.
There is a young bank clerk here who
always dresses up to the prevalent style.
He sent his trousers to the tailor to be
revised, and they were returned to him
in the evening. After dinner he re-
solved to visit one of his fair adorables,
and he donned that pair of trousers.
When on the street he noticed to his
horror that his usually careful tailor
had creased but one leg, and the other
was limp and lifeless.
To make the matter worse a small boy
called the attention of the whole street
to the discrepancy by shouting:
"Hey, Butch! Git onto de dude with
the joblot legs!"
He had not time to go back, and so
he tried to appear oblivious. He thought
the girl would be polite enough not to
say anything, but he was sure that she
would notice it. When he arrived he
did all he could to hide his lower ex-
tremities, but her little sister made a
stage whisper to the hostess and said:
"What funny legs! They ain't mates,
are they?"

Told a Lie and Took a Walk.
Rob La Polette, of Wisconsin, says
that when he was going to the capital
in a cab car a bride and groom got
onboard at Seventh street crossing.

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CLOTHING CO.,
245-249 NORTH WATER ST.
NEXT TO BRADLEY BROS.

For January.

When the conductor came around for
the fares the young man fumbled in his
vest pocket and then brought a \$100
bill, which he reached out to the con-
ductor with two fingers.
"Nothin' smaller?" queried the
official, who had caught the distant
rattle of silver in the young man's
pocket.
"The only change I've got," returned
the youth laughingly.
"Can't take it, then," said the con-
ductor, reaching for the bell rope.
The astonished youth looked fright-
ened.
"What's the matter?" he exclaimed,
as he thought of the rain and mud out-
side.
"Counterfeit—that's all," calmly re-
turned the conductor. "Sorry you
ain't got the change."
The bell rope was pulled and the
youth got off with his girl. He had the
change, but he was afraid to confess to
a lie before the careful of passengers.

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We are receiving daily all
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Especially mention our new
BLOCK ISLAND
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To lovers of this kind of
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priced staples on our floor and
are in position to sell you any-
thing you need from a chair
to a cook stove at prices that
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INVESTIGATING TRUSTS.

The Lexow Committee Examines the
Havemeyer.

New York, Feb. 5.—Chairman Lexow
called the joint legislative committee to
order this morning and Theodore Haver-
meyer of the sugar trust and a number of
other men prominent in mercantile pur-
suits were present to testify. A letter
was read calling attention to the exist-
ence of a pool among the transatlantic
steamship companies and asking an in-
vestigation of their methods. Theodore
A. Havemeyer, vice president of the
American Sugar Refining Co., was the
first witness. He testified he had noth-
ing to do with the fiscal side of the busi-
ness but that Mr. Teagle of the company
could enlighten the committee on that.
He said the company was only in the busi-
ness of refining sugar. He admitted that
he was connected with the Coffee com-
pany, organized in Ohio. The ob-
ject of the consolidation of the var-
ious companies which formed the
present organization was to refine sugar
and not control its refining and sale in
the United States. In fact it did not con-
trol the sugar markets of the country. It
produced about 75 per cent of the sugar
used in the United States. Since 1891
the capital stock of the company has been
increased some \$25,000,000 for the purpose
of buying other companies. There are
some eight sugar refining companies in
the country. It is not true that the price
of sugar has been increased owing to the
acquisitions of Spreckles and other Phila-
delphia refiners. He declared the price of
sugar is lower than at the time of the
purchase. He said his brother had fixed
prices at the board meetings.

Trying for a New Trial.

In the case of the People vs Jane Lan-
caster, convicted on a charge of bastardy
in the county court, the motion for a new
trial for the defendant is being argued at
length this afternoon. The lawyers for
the defense are confident of winning while
the attorneys for the prosecution are not
as confident that Judge Hammer will al-
low the verdict of the jury to stand.

Made Big Money.

The members of the opera house orches-
tra who went to Monticello last night to
furnish music at the ladies' black face
minstrel performance, got home this
morning. They state that the show was
a big success financially and that the la-
dies gave a good performance, nearly as
meritorious as the one given recently by
Decatur ladies.

Special Meeting.

A special meeting of the Ladies' Aid
society of the Sons of Veterans will be
held Sunday, Feb. 7 at 2 p. m., at the G.
A. R. hall to make arrangements for
Union Defenders' day. A full attendance
is requested. Mrs. Mary Hamsher, pres-
ident.

Dr. W. T. Patterson of Casner, has re-
turned from Springfield.

PERSONAL AND LITERARY.

Cecil Rhodes is a hearty supporter
of the Salvation Army, and he has made
Gen. Booth an offer of land in Rhodesia
for the army's use.

Signor Crispi has taken time by the
forelock in having his marble monu-
ment erected in the Naples cemetery.
The only inscription on it is "Crispi."

In a suit recently brought by Henri
Rochefort against the manager of
L'Intransigeant, it was shown that the
revolutionary writer receives \$20,000 a
year as editor of the paper and has
drawn \$340,000 in dividends on his
shares in the past seven years.

William Morris left \$233,000 of per-
sonal property, accumulated from his
application of art to industry rather
than from his poetry. There are no
signs of socialism in the will, almost all
the property being left to near rela-
tives.

Crown Princess Stephanie, widow of
Crown Prince Rudolph of Austria, at-
tracted much attention in the church
at Saxenburg, a suburb of the capital.
This was her first appearance in pub-
lic. Her voice is a contralto.

Further evidence of William Wal-
dorf Astor's expatriation is shown in
his election to the Carlton club. This is
the ultra swell conservative club of
London, and no one is admitted to it
who does not belong to the British aris-
tocracy. Ergo, Mr. Astor has become a
British aristocrat.

George Meredith's books do not in
the least suggest his own personality.
He is a very lucid, pointed and witty
talker. In height he is about five feet
eight, of slender, graceful figure, and
has a gentle, blue-eyed face with
pointed beard and gray hair parted in
the middle and falling in a fringe over
his forehead.

Phil May, the English caricaturist,
smokes enormous cigars. He is one of
the least conventional even of artists
who affect Bohemianism. He has
been seen on the Strand with a frock
coat, yellow boots, and a straw hat. He
often receipts an account by rapidly
drawing his own characteristic face
across that of her gracious majesty
with the inevitable cigar between his
teeth.

A torpid liver means a bad complex-
ion, bad breath, indigestion and fre-
quent headaches. To avoid such com-
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Sales of Real Estate.

John Imboden to Eliza A. McKenzie,
lot 5 in block 1 of J. Imboden's addition,
\$250.

Levi Cross to Jacob Lebo, property in
Boody, \$1.

Charles W. Sleeter to Nancy E. Cross,
et al, tract in 11, 15, 1 east, \$1.

Catherine App to Bertha Raupp, lots 4
and 5 in block 2 in Wise's second addition
to Blue Mound, \$500.

Death of Mrs. McCleary.

Mrs. Sadie McCleary, the wife of J. M.
McCleary, died this morning at 10:30
o'clock at the family residence, No. 1059
St. Louis avenue, aged 30 years. The
time of the funeral will be announced
later.

The county treasury is still compar-
atively empty. It will remain so until the
tax collectors begin settling with Treas-
urer Patterson.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob
Hauke, who has been seriously ill of ap-
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RACING COCKROACHES.

A Queer Pastime Among the Prisoners in Constantinople Jail.

Racing cockroaches is the latest device of the prisoners who are languishing in the Turkish prisons. These men are locked up for indefinite terms, often not knowing themselves what are the crimes of which they are accused, and in many instances being entirely forgotten by the officials as soon as the doors of the prison have closed upon them.

The prisoners perform no work, and are given considerable freedom if they have friends who supply them from the outside with money. In this way the prisoners meet daily in the halls and corridors of the prisons of Constantinople. Here they discuss the news of the day, smoke and read, and do what they can to while away the dreary hours.

The prisoners are overrun with cockroaches. The more intelligent of the prisoners make friends with these insects.

Indefinite patience is required to train a cockroach. But men to whom time is nothing, like these Turkish prisoners, who may spend years behind the bars without coming up for trial, can easily afford to undertake the difficult task of educating a cockroach in the way he should go. Only the wealthy prisoners can do this, for by bribing the guards they are enabled to secure bread crumbs and pieces of sugar, which are eagerly sought for by the cockroaches.

By entering a number of cockroaches into his cell every day, one of the prisoners discovered that they were possessed of rare intelligence and could easily be caught, if they were preoccupied with molasses. After a few weeks' work he astonished his friends in the prison by bringing out for their edification a corps of trained cockroaches.

The cockroach fever at once spread through the prison. Every man who could beg or borrow molasses began to train a company of cockroaches. It was found to be a most diverting and exciting pastime.

When the prisoners met daily they recited the feats of their pets, and reported the progress they were making in teaching them new tricks. Out of this grew the cockroach race. Two of the most highly trained cockroaches were pitted against each other, and the prisoners ranged themselves on either side of the corridor to watch the race.

Bets were made of pieces of tobacco and loaves of bread, and great excitement arose among the onlookers as the new and novel contest was started. The prize for which the cockroaches raced was a small platter of molasses.

The owner of each insect prodded him with a piece of straw. As the cockroaches raced along the floor the excitement among the prisoners and jailers rose to fever heat. The insects had been so well trained that they deviated neither to the right nor left, but ran straight ahead.

The one that was beaten lost the race because he stopped to scratch his leg. The race between the two cockroaches was the most exciting event that has occurred in the Central prison of Constantinople since Armenians were cut down in the corridors there a year ago.

The prisoners at once started training cockroaches, and now races occur on the floor of the prison several times each day. This is afforded a welcome break in the monotony of the lives of the prisoners. —N. Y. Journal.

A WONDERFUL EMPEROR.

Some of the Affairs Which Occupied William II. of Germany.

That astonishing gentleman, the emperor of Germany, when not occupied with his painting or clay modeling or music lessons or devices for a new military coat, is usually talking about himself and his army. Just at present the subject of duelling is worrying him in such leisure moments as Prince Bismarck allows him. Anyone who has traveled through Germany during the past two years knows how greatly the swaggering insolence of the German officer, in street and cafe, is due to the personal example of the emperor and his ludicrous insistence on the sanctity of a uniform. He has established in Germany a military despotism which makes the streets of the large cities something more than objectionable to a foreigner. Even the Germans themselves are waking up to their folly in standing such a tyranny. The outbreak of indignation over the Brusewitz affair is the first attempt on the part of the worm to turn. Lieut. Brusewitz killed a civilian in a cafe because, as the minister of war explained in the Reichstag, "he believed that the honor of his uniform had been tarnished by the accidental pushing against his chair by the unfortunate workman." He was court-martialed and sentenced to four years' imprisonment and dismissal from the army. That was about three weeks ago.

The judgment of the court-martial, however, was not "sanctioned." Therefore it had no force in law. The emperor came down and insisted on all the documents of the case being submitted to the war minister. That, of course, simply means that Brusewitz will be acquitted. The government, however, is making tentative efforts to limit duelling. It is going to establish a court of honor. When one officer insults another they are both to be hauled before the court, and the judgment of that assembly is never to be worded in such a way as to make a duel a necessity, or even to imply the recognition of such means of settling a dispute. —Harper's Weekly.

A Broken Melody.

"Dearest," he said, as he swung to and fro upon the gate, "I wish I might linger here forever." She was about to say something encouraging when he got his finger caught in the hinge, and began yelling so hard that the entire neighborhood turned out to help him loose. Then all was over between them. —Pearson's Weekly.



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BITS OF FACT.

No bird can fly backwards without turning; the dragon-fly, however, can do this and outstrip the swallow in speed.

The British museum reports additions during 1896 to the number of 234,357 books and pamphlets—a large library in themselves.

It is estimated that the present wealth of the United States exceeds the wealth of the whole world at any period prior to the middle of the eighteenth century.

A scientist declares that "the elements entering into the cornstalk can be made to produce alcohol, cellulose, paper, matting, smokeless powder and condition powders for cattle."

The Forth bridge is constantly being repaired. So vast is the structure that it takes 50 tons to give it one coat, and the area dealt with is something like 120 acres.

Church congregations of Portland, Me., in the event of a pastor's illness, could easily have a sermon by borrowing the Y. M. C. A.'s graphophone, which is charged with sermons of a preacher known from Brooklyn to Jerusalem. It contains also several hymns.

Careful weighing shows that an ordinary bee, not loaded, weighs the five-thousandth part of a pound, so that it takes 5,000 bees to make a pound. But the loaded bee when he comes in from the fields and flowers, freighted with honey or bee bread, weighs nearly three times more.

From the top of the cathedral spire in Mexico you can see the entire city, and the most striking feature of the view is the absence of chimneys. There is not a chimney in all Mexico, not a grate, nor a stove, nor a furnace. All the cooking is done with charcoal in Dutch ovens, and while the gas is sometimes offensive one soon becomes used to it.

PURELY PERSONAL.

Sixteen United States presidents had no middle name, and McKinley lacks one.

W. S. Witham, of Atlanta, is president of 27 Georgia banks located in the small towns of that state.

President James B. Angell, of the University of Michigan, in addition to his prestige as an able college president, has a wide reputation as an authority on international law.

Dr. John Saadi, who recently delivered a lecture on Mohammedanism in St. Paul's Episcopal church in Boston, is a Syrian. He is studying for the Episcopal ministry and is engaged in translating the prayer book into Arabic.

Alfred Greenbaum, of San Francisco, has recently given a library consisting of 1,000 volumes on the Semitic language and history to the University of California. The books formed part of the library of his father, who was chief rabbi at Landau, Germany.

Cardinal Svampa, archbishop of Bologna, is looked upon by the superstitious as Pope Leo's successor. His name means "flames up," and the next pope is designated in the book of prophecies as Ignis ardens. Moreover, he was previously bishop of Forle, whose patron is the Madonna of the Fire.

Ex-Gov. Morrill, of Kansas, has an American flag that will be used as a winding sheet at his burial. It was given to him by 15 old soldiers from the Leavenworth home. He said the other day that he prized the flag more highly than all the official honors which had been bestowed upon him.

SOME OLD BOOKS.

The first anthology was a collection of Greek poems, epigrams and other small pieces by Archilochus, Sappho, Simonides, Meleager, Plato and others, between 680 and 95 B. C.

In 1471 a French baron offered a pledge of ten marks of silver that a copy of Avicenna's, which he desired to read, would be returned, and even with this security, equal in our money to over \$90, his request was refused.

It is asserted by typographical authorities that the first Bible printed in America was "John Eliot's Indian Bible" in 1663. The language into which this Bible was translated is extinct, and it is said only one or two persons are able to read it.

The "Book of Common Prayer" was prepared by the command of Henry VIII., in 1546. It underwent several revisions, but the second, made in the reign of Edward VI., very nearly approached the prayer book as used to-day in the Church of England. The prayer for the royal family was introduced by James I.

Most of the chapters of Livy, as well as some of the entire compositions of Cicero and other ancient authors, have been recovered from the palm-leaf manuscript original writing having been partially effaced in order that the monks' transcribers might use the parchment for their homilies.



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Positively cured by these Little Pills.

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Drink Cool's 25c combination coffee.
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You pay a little more for Sleeth's portraits but—
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Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

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The Fullenwider truss cures rupture. For sale by the Cerrodanie Co., 21 Syracuse block.

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There are several new cases of diphtheria in the city. Red quarantine cards mark the afflicted homes.

Only Two Hours and Fifty Minutes to Peoria. Take the Vandalia Line. Train leaves at 11:42 a. m.

Car No. 5 on the Edward street line was burnt out this afternoon and had to be sent to the car hospital for repairs.

The regular meeting of the Woman's club for political study will meet Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the council room. A full attendance is desired.

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141 MERCHANT ST.

A NEW DINING HALL.

The New Place of Business will Open Up in the B. Stine Building, Central Block.

H. D. Greider, formerly of this city but later of Clinton, where he was in the hotel business, has been in the city for several days past looking for a suitable room to open a first class dining hall. Yesterday he leased the B. Stine building in Central block, both floors, and has given orders for the inside furnishings which he says will be second to none in the state outside of Chicago. He says he will be ready for trade about the 20th inst. In connection with his short order lunch room he will run a regular dining hall, where the best of meals can be had at meal hours. The building is to be improved inside and out and the interior walls will be entirely surrounded with mirrors, the finish to be of hard wood and the ceilings of the latest fresco patterns. Mr. Greider will expend about \$1000 on the improvement of the interior and says his place of business when opened will be a veritable dining palace, where all the delicacies of the season can be had, served under the direction of a first class caterer. He will be open day and night.

Mr. Greider, when a resident of this city, was employed by Mr. Tuggart at the Central house, and his many friends will welcome his return to this city.

MUSICAL CULTURE CLUB.

Meeting Held This Morning at the Home of Miss Edna Burn on West Wood Street.

The members of the Musical Culture club held a meeting this morning at the home of Miss Edna Burn on West Wood street. In spite of the disagreeable weather there was a large attendance and an excellent program was rendered. The music given was by Mendelssohn and Moscheles. The next meeting will be an open one and will be held at the home of Mrs. Will Hellman on Thursday evening, Jan. 18. The musical numbers presented this morning were as presented:

Mendelssohn, Ruy Blas—Miss Young and Mrs. Powers.

Mendelssohn, Neues Liebe—Mrs. Hallman.

Moscheles, Etude in G major—Miss Clark.

Paper—Mrs. West.

Mendelssohn, Phantasia in F sharp minor; first movement—Miss Hamsher.

Mendelssohn, Spinner Lied—Misses Nichols and Young and Mrs. Barnes.

Mendelssohn, Spring song—Miss Pahmeyer.

Mendelssohn, Scherzo op. 16, No. 2—Mrs. Barnes.

Mendelssohn, "I Would That My Love"—Treble Clef Quartet.

AN ECHO SCANDAL.

Ex-Secretary of State Hartschisen to be Investigated.

W. H. Hartschisen, late Democratic secretary of state, is soon to go on the carpet for investigation at the state house. It is shown that "Book" while in office over-drew the appropriation in his department \$52,000, and now the appropriation committee of the house is anxious to learn what he did with all that money belonging to the state. There was quite a row about the item, and the books have been partially inspected to learn the facts. No doubt a full investigation will be ordered in a few days.

Held a Meeting.
A meeting of the superintendents of the Sunday schools in the city was held last night at the office of A. H. Mills. It was a gathering to discuss the work recently done by the committee which canvassed the city to learn how many there were who did not attend any Sunday school.

The meeting was held to consider what method should be taken to induce the absentees to take an interest in Sunday school work and to induce them to attend some school. Before the canvass was made the de-annation was reached that the work should be done on a strictly non-sectarian basis and the meeting last night was for the purpose of reaching a conclusion as to dividing the names of those who may be possible converts. The actual work of dividing the names was not accomplished last night and next week a second meeting will be held. The division will be made with the idea of locomotion, so that inducements may be made to have the non-attendants go to the school nearest their home.

The Institute.
The Macon county farmers' institute will begin at the court house on Tuesday next at 1:30 o'clock and continue three days. The exhibit of products of the farm will be made in the court house corridors on the three floors if that much space is required. All of the articles shown for premiums will be retained by the association, and sold at auction on the last day of the exhibit. To be Ward will be the auctioneer. The program for the institute were issued today. Members of the board of supervisors will assist in the distribution of the program.

Great Results Promised.
The revival service commenced on Monday night at Grace Mission by Rev. Dr. Gillmore of Grace Methodist church is giving great promise of a wonderful religious awakening in that section of the city. The mission has been crowded every night and a deep interest is manifested. The genuine revival spirit was manifested in the services. Dr. Gillmore made a strong exhortation and four persons professed conversion.

Ladies to Meet.
A meeting of the ladies' central committee will be held at the Y. M. C. A. rooms tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Personals.

Miss Fleta Downing is confined to her home by illness.

E. A. Jones is quite ill at his home north of the city.

Gordon Damrow went to Peoria today on a business trip.

Mrs. M. P. Murphy is ill at her home on South Main street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Kinman returned last night from Chicago.

Attorney I. R. Mills went to Dalton City last night on business.

Mrs. Dr. Sweet, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is recovering.

Mrs. Glessner of North Edward street, is slowly recovering from her attack of illness.

Abie Birks, son of John W. Birks of this city, is seriously ill at his home near Harriestown.

Charles Forsythe, who has been visiting friends in St. Louis, returned home this morning.

Miss Della Wilhelm of Zanesville, Ohio, is in the city visiting Miss Alice Shupp and other friends.

Miss Josephine Laux, who has been visiting friends at Kansas City, returned home this morning.

Superintendent E. A. Gastman left this afternoon for Champaign to attend a meeting of the schoolmasters' club.

Chairman Ross Hockaday of Orona, was in the city today looking after matters connected with the county board.

Mrs. Walter Strange, who has been in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. Burrows, has returned to her home in Minneapolis.

Harry A. Houser, of Lincoln, will take a position as manager of the Riddell wholesale grocery house. He will move his family from Lincoln to this city.

Mrs. Dr. H. A. Winters of Saybrook, Ill., and Mrs. George W. Woodbury of Des Moines, Ia., are in the city visiting their sister, Mrs. W. H. Beckwith.

Rev. A. W. Hawkins and Rev. L. P. Hughey are holding revival meetings at the mission at the corner of Broadway and Division street. The attendance each evening has been large.

Miss Lydia Witzmann was last night elected delegate and Miss Barbara Bitzer substitute from the German Methodist Epworth league to attend the district Epworth league convention which meets at Boody in May.

The Progressive club met at the home of Mrs. Nellie Leforae on West North street yesterday afternoon with Miss Evelyn Barton.

The lesson in literature was on Whitcomb Riley and was interesting to the members. The principal study of the club last now is civil government and the literature program is more in the way of a pleasant diversion.

Dinner, Supper and Sale.
The ladies of the Cumberland Presbyterian church will serve dinner and supper and have a sale of fancy and useful articles in the Central block on Lincoln square next Wednesday Feb. 10. The meals will be first class in every respect. The money will be used towards the erection of the new church. The ladies are working hard to make this a success and hope to be well patronized. Among the things offered for sale will be a handsome silk quilt, that is worth much more than will be asked for it.

Funeral of R. G. Wells.
The remains of the late Robert G. Wells, who died yesterday in Chicago, were brought to this city this morning and taken to the family residence on Johns avenue. The funeral will be held next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the First Presbyterian church. The services will be conducted by Rev. W. H. Penhallegon and the burial will be at Greenwood cemetery.

Oil Salesmen in Town.
A large number of Standard Oil company salesmen are at the St. Nicholas today. There are thirty-five in number, every man selling oil in the district of which Decatur is a part. They are here for a business conference and to receive suggestions from each other on how to extend the sale of oils and other articles manufactured by the Standard company.

For the above price we will sell the finest shoes for gentlemen to be found in Decatur. See them in our window. Folzath & Hardy, stylish and reliable foot fitters. Sign of the old cobbler.—26-d&wt

Minister Resigns.
Lisbon, Feb. 5.—The Portuguese minister has resigned.

Edward Trutter, of Springfield, son of Joseph Trutter, president of the Springfield Coal Mining and Tile company, died Saturday after a short illness. He was a well known traveling man.

It is said that Prof. N. C. Dougherty, of Peoria, is to be the head of the new Bradley Polytechnic Institute.

Eugene Crocker, who was arrested charged with shooting Lawrence Gagnery at Mahomet was discharged.

Nathaniel Patton, aged 74, the founder of Pattonburg, near Minook, died and was buried there Tuesday.

Miss Anna Bonfield, 99 years old, died at Kankakee on Tuesday. She was the oldest resident in Kankakee.

ONE JURY TRIAL.

All that Transpired in Court—The Pocket Entries.

Recess hours are the rule in the circuit court just now. Judge Vail being in his office after the regular motion period, ready to take up cases at any time. There was one jury trial this forenoon.

Common Law Docket.

John G. Holstein vs D. H. McBeath, assumpsit; default; judgment for \$112.87.

Joseph McMahon et al vs. Sexton R. Smith et al; appellants; appeal, trial by jury; verdict for \$52.41 for plaintiff; motion entered for a new trial.

F. A. Hardy & Co. vs Morrison Brandom et al, assumpsit; default; judgment for \$358.33.

Chancery Docket.

Amanda Wilson et al vs Rebecca B. Barnett et al, partition; order of sale.

Zanatta C. Hughes vs Helen B. Dille-hunt et al, partition; dismissed at cost of complainant.

Milton Morland et al vs Edward L. Pegram et al, injunction; decree pro confesso against defendants not answering and referred to master.

Oscar F. Parker vs Agnes V. Roddy et al, foreclosure; master's report approved and cause heard; decree for \$1760.64 and costs; receiver's bond, \$300.

Ida E. Armstrong vs Isabella Disney et al, foreclosure; decree pro confesso against defendants not answering and referred to master.

People's Savings and Loan association vs Carrie E. Watkins et al, foreclosure, same entry as above.

Thomas Hays vs Edward B. Dimo et al, foreclosure; decree pro confesso against defendants not answering and referred to master.

DELAWARE HAS TWO SENATORS

Richard R. Kenney the Silverite Senator Seated—Case May be Reopened.

Washington, Feb. 5.—In the senate today Richard R. Kenney, silver Democrat, from Delaware, was sworn in, his credentials being regular. This marks the culmination of a long contest over the vacant seat. Chandler of New Hampshire, stated it to be his belief that H. A. Dupont has been legally elected, adding, however, that Kenney could be seated and the matter brought up before the senate later.

Prior to this the committee on elections, by a vote of six to one decided against Dupont's claim.

Elections Committee Favors Kendall.

Washington, Feb. 5.—The house committee on election today decided the Hopkins-Kendall election contest from the Tenth Kentucky district in favor of Kendall, the sitting member, who is a Democrat. A minority report in favor of Hopkins will be made.

Stockholders' Meeting.

Notices have been given that the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Decatur Family and Heating Company will be held at their office on Monday, March 1, 1897, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., for the election of officers and the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

O. W. DAWSON, Secretary.
Feb. 5-41d

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, ILL., Feb. 5, 1897.
The REPUBLICAN is indebted to E. Z. Taylor, dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondence in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis for the following market quotations.

	Open- ing.	High- est.	Low- est.	Close- ing.
Wheat— February.....	70 1/2	70 3/4	70 1/4	70 1/2
May.....	71 1/2	71 3/4	71 1/4	71 1/2
July.....	72 1/2	72 3/4	72 1/4	72 1/2
Corn— February.....	24 1/2	24 3/4	24 1/4	24 1/2
May.....	25 1/2	25 3/4	25 1/4	25 1/2
July.....	26 1/2	26 3/4	26 1/4	26 1/2
Oats— February.....	17 1/2	17 3/4	17 1/4	17 1/2
May.....	18 1/2	18 3/4	18 1/4	18 1/2
July.....	19 1/2	19 3/4	19 1/4	19 1/2
Pork— February.....	7 1/2	7 3/4	7 1/4	7 1/2
May.....	7 1/2	7 3/4	7 1/4	7 1/2
July.....	7 1/2	7 3/4	7 1/4	7 1/2
Beef— February.....	3 7 1/2	3 8 1/4	3 7 1/4	3 7 1/2
May.....	3 7 1/2	3 8 1/4	3 7 1/4	3 7 1/2
July.....	3 7 1/2	3 8 1/4	3 7 1/4	3 7 1/2

May wheat: puts, 74 1/2; call, 70 1/2; sub, 70 1/2.

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CASH LOW.
Wheat—19, Estimated, 25. Year ago, 18.
Corn—54; Estimated, 59; a year ago, 53.
Oats—28; Estimated, 20, a year ago, 18.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.
Wheat, 25; Corn, 20; oats, 20.
 hog receipts 25,000; estimated, 12,000. Market slow but steady.

Light, \$3.50@\$3.50; Mixed \$3.50@\$3.50.
Heavy \$3.50@\$3.50; Rough \$3.50@\$3.50.
Estimated for to-morrow, 17,000.
Cattle receipts, 2,000. Market steady.

PEORIA, Feb. 5.—Corn, firm, new, No. 2, white, 19 1/2; oats, slow, No. 2, white, 12, Rye, nominal.

NEW YORK MARKET.
NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Butter, firm, cream, 12@12 1/4; Eggs, steady, 10@10 1/4.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—Wheat, May, 72 1/2; Corn, May, 25 1/2; oats, May, 20.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.
ST. LOUIS, Feb. 5.—Wheat, cash, 50c; May, 54 1/2; Corn, cash, 20, May, 21 1/2; Oats, cash 16 1/2, May, 14 1/2.

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REV. H. W. BOLTON.

The Chicago Methodist Divine the Subject of Mental Aberration.

HIS USEFULNESS AT AN END.

Injuries in the War and Subsequent Surgical Operations Said to be the Cause—Separated from His Wife.

(Chicago, Feb. 6.—When the Rev. H. W. Bolton, suffering in mind and body, was given a three months' leave of absence by the trustees of the South Park Avenue Methodist church his departure really marked the termination of his relations with that church as pastor. Owing to unpleasant complications growing out of the malady which is said to have affected his mind, affairs in the preacher's household are also in a disordered state, and as a result a separation between himself and his wife ensued which probably will be permanent.

Through a strange hallucination, it is stated, the Rev. Mr. Bolton possessed of the idea that his wife no longer believed in him. This hallucination found expression in such manner as to give rise to ugly rumors, which, if proper occasion arises, may become the subject of official investigation.

Matters have already gone so far that Mr. Bolton and his wife now dwell apart. The former, when last heard from, was at Nashville, Tenn. The latter has gone to South Bend, Ind., where, it is said, she has accepted a position in a sanitarium. She has been a trained nurse prior to her marriage.

This is not a state of things of which the church authorities can be expected to take no notice. The official members of the congregation have laid these rumors before Bishop Andrews, who, having presided at the last Rock River conference, retains his jurisdiction over his appointments for the entire year. But Bishop Andrews has turned the matter over to Bishop Merrill, who, being on the ground, is deemed better qualified to dispose of it in a wise and successful manner.

Bishop Merrill speaking of the matter said:

"What looks like a case of ministerial type is in fact only a case of ministerial illness and hallucination. Dr. Bolton is in a state of physical collapse and the body has dragged the mind down with it. He received injuries in the army during the civil war, three years ago necessitated two or three terrific surgical operations. He has since then been a victim of diabetes, which often affects the mind, and from all these causes he is now in such a condition that I would not be surprised at his death within a year. In the meantime his mind has become deranged, and he is the victim of all sort of delusions in regard to his wife.

"He believes that his wife has attacked his moral character, with regard to six or seven other different women, and if I were to tell you they are you would see at once that his delusion would be laughable if it were not so sad.

"In the meanwhile his wife has never doubted him in the least, and has protected him to the best of her power. For a moment questioned her husband's purity, and much less has she ever improved it, either to him or anyone else. She says he is subject to these turns, and will come out of it this time as he has before, and then will not even remember anything he has said on the subject.

"Still, Dr. Bolton's physical and mental condition is such that there is no prospect that he will resume his labors at the South Park Avenue church. Whether any investigation of the rumors which he himself, in his delusion, has given currency to, will be necessary, it is impossible for me to say. None is contemplated now, but it is possible events may shape themselves that it will be necessary."

The Rev. H. W. Bolton has been prominent not only in his church, but also in Grand Army and Masonic circles. He was Past commander of U. S. Grant Post No. 28, G. A. R., and a thirty-second degree Mason. He belongs to Chicago Conference, St. Bernard commandery, and the Corinthian chapter. He is also state chaplain of the Patriotic Order of Sons of America. He was born at Orr